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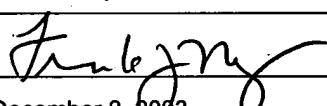
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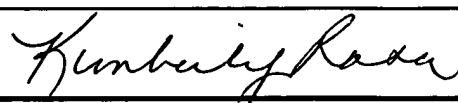
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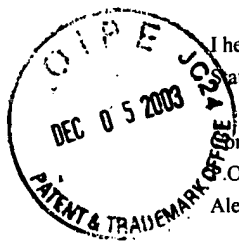
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Sir:

Applicants present a summary of the Interview held by the undersigned Patent Attorney with Examiner Nichols and his supervisory Examiner on November 18, 2003. Applicants would like to thank both Examiners for their time and effort.

The claims presented in the Supplemental Amendment of November 12, 2003 were the subject of the interview. Specifically, the Examiners expressed concerns as to whether subject matter of both base claims wherein the first peptidyl fragment was less than 49 amino acids in length was operable.

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The Examiners indicated they would consider any additional data the Applicants could provide which bore on the matter. The Examiners also indicated that subject matter wherein the first peptidyl fragment was at least 49 amino acids in length and had one or two substitutions of the first peptidyl sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 would be allowable. No agreement was reached.

The patent attorney indicated he would inform his client of the Examiners' concern and inquire further of the client as to the availability of any additional data relevant to the Examiners' concern.

Respectfully submitted,



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